SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1104

By Stewart

A RESOLUTION to recognize Eddie Joe Collins on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Eddie Joe Collins is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for more than thirty-six years as a teacher in Georgia and Tennessee; he will be taking a much-deserved retirement this year; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Collins attended David Lipscomb University before joining the United States Army, to which he dedicated two years of service before returning to complete his bachelor's degree at Middle Tennessee State University; he then earned his master's degree from Georgia State University; and

WHEREAS, Eddie Collins is most grateful for the love and companionship of his wife,
Marsha, whom he met at Middle Tennessee State University; the couple has two sons, Alan and
Andrew, and two grandchildren, Grace and Cooper, and they will welcome a new grandchild in
August; and

WHEREAS, Eddie Collins is an active and important part of his community and his profession, participating in numerous worthy organizations; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Collins exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean: and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Eddie Joe Collins has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we extend to Eddie Joe Collins our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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